Frustrated Magnetism as Seen Through the Lens of DCS

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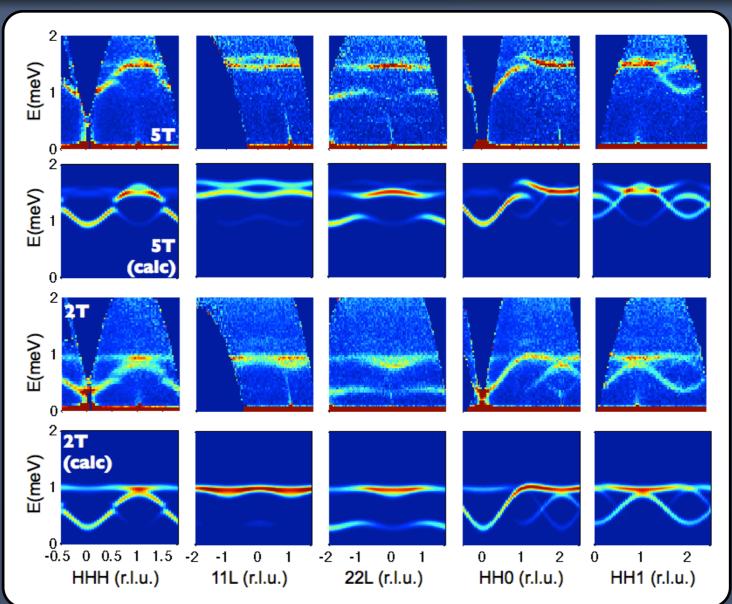
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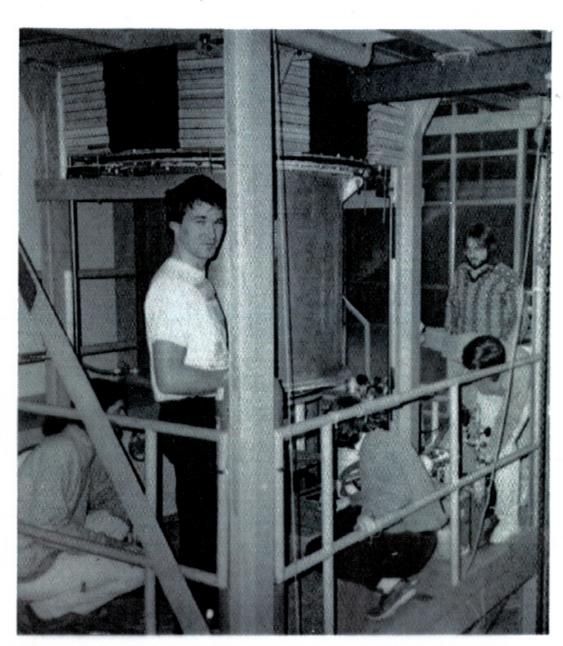
John and Bill at McMaster



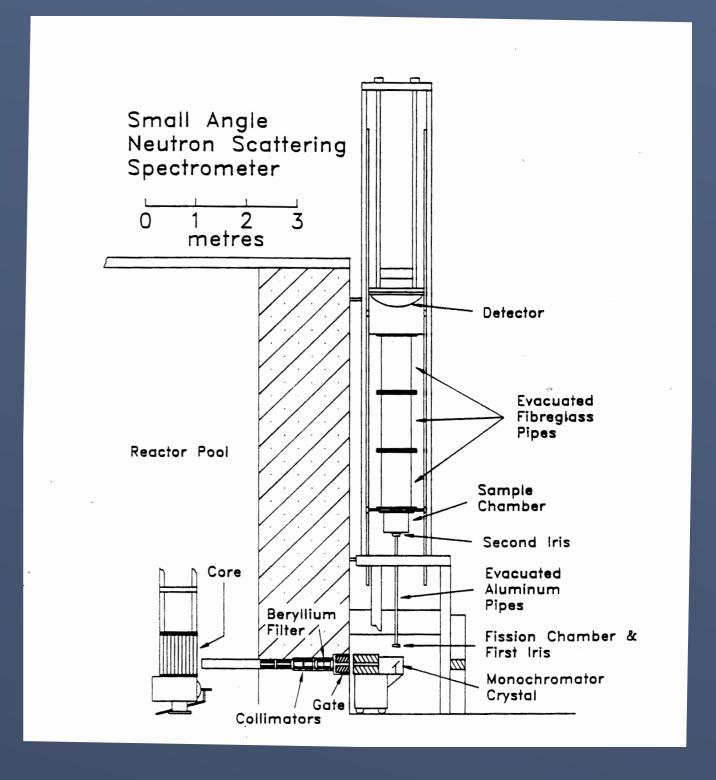
Harmonic and Anharmonic Vibrations in Rubidium Metal John Richard Dawn Copley PhD 1970

Neutron Scattering Studies of the Dynamics of Imperfect Crystals William Atsushi Kamitakahara PhD 1972

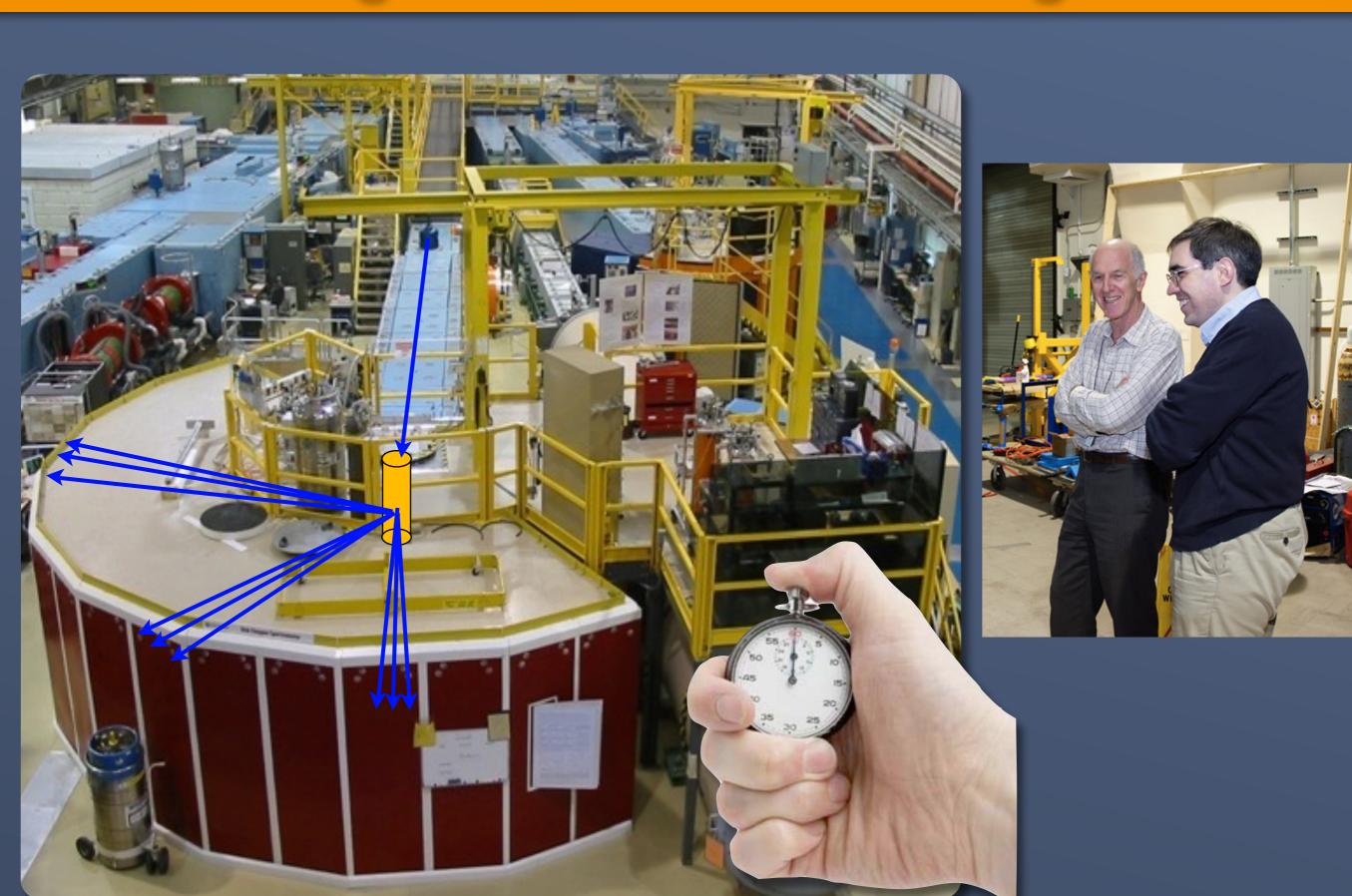
John's SANS I at the McMaster Nuclear Reactor



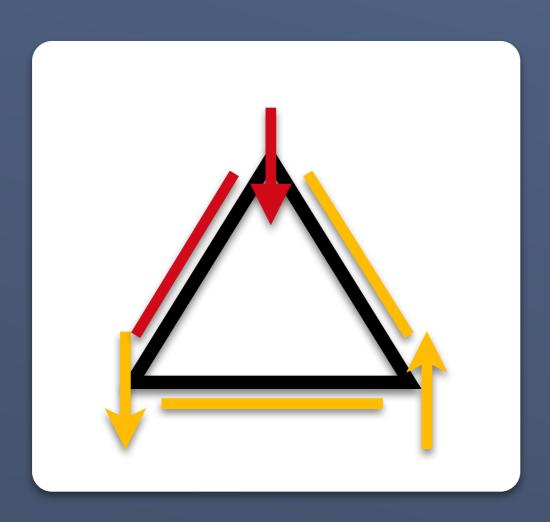
Part of the neutron scattering group, (from left to right) Thom Mason, Andrew Harrison, Sarah Penny, Professor Gaulin and Jan Reimers, working around the Small Angle Neutron Scattering (SANS) spectrometer at the McMaster Reactor.



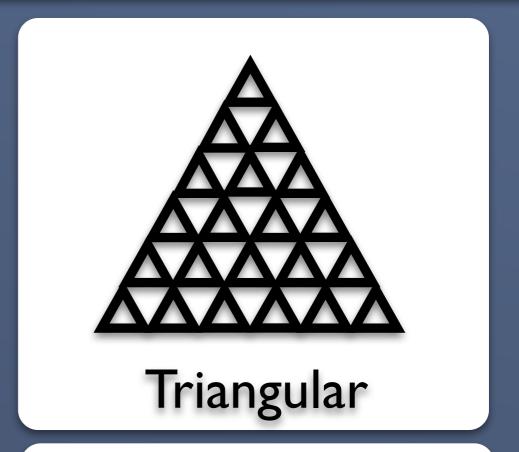
Time of Flight Neutron Scattering at DCS



Geometric Frustration in 2D

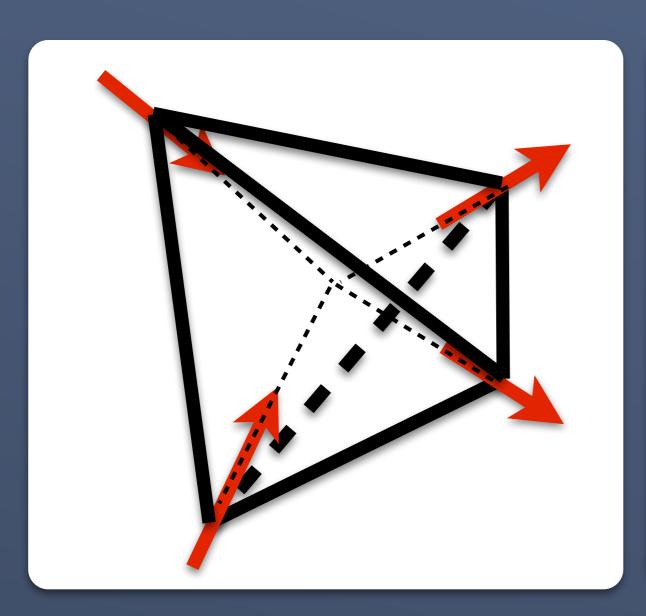


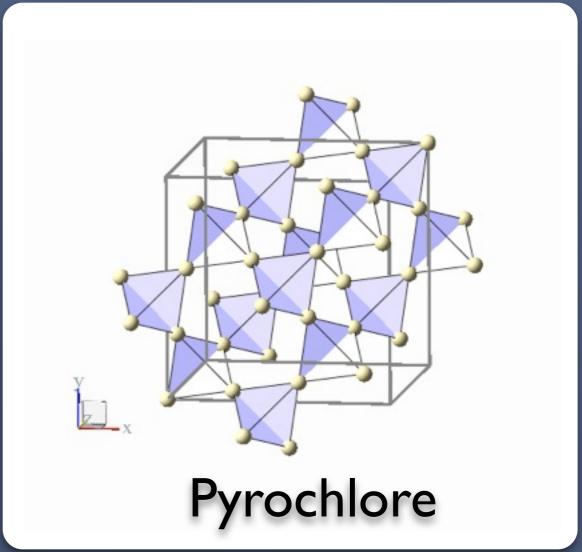
prefer ↑↓ alignment, but choice of 3rd spin direction is unclear



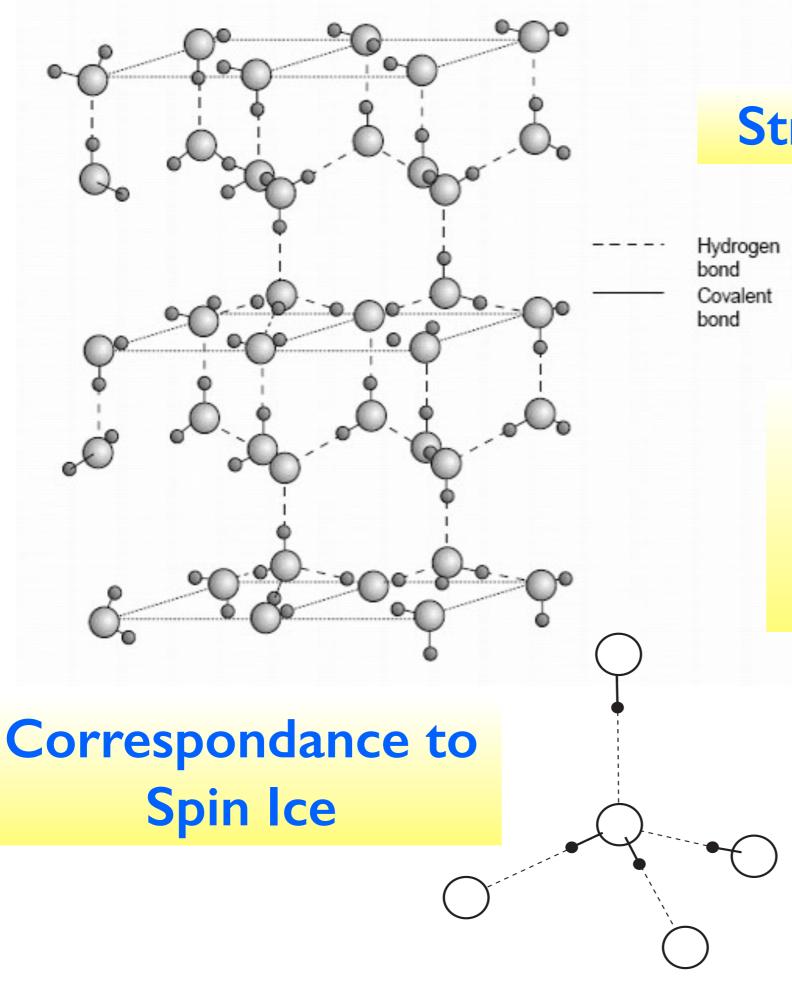


Spin Ice Physics on Tetrahedra in 3D





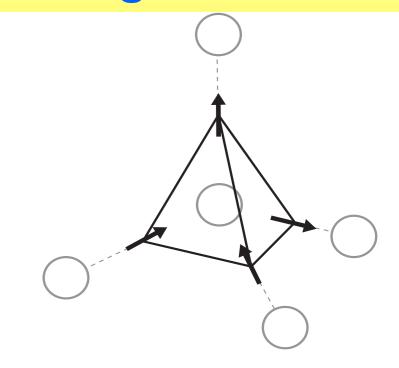
freedom of choice for each tetrahedron leads to a macroscopic degeneracy: NO Long Range Order



Structure of Ice

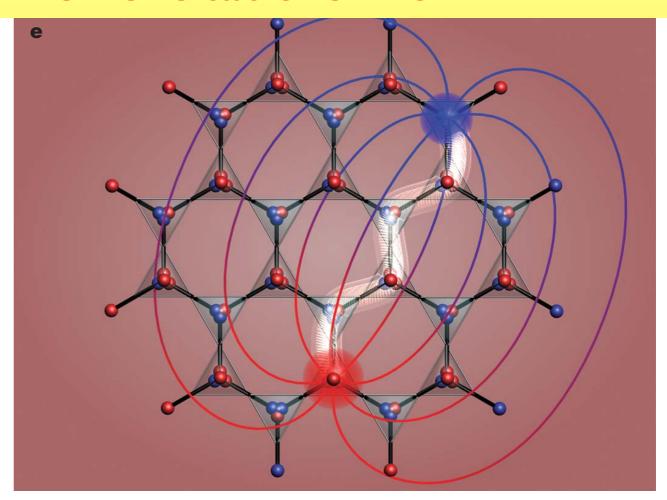
Ferro coupling
+ [III] anisotropy
"2 in 2 out"

6-fold degenerate



Spin Ice

- Classical macroscopic degeneracy
- Supports monopole excitations
- Rare example of deconfined excitations in 3D

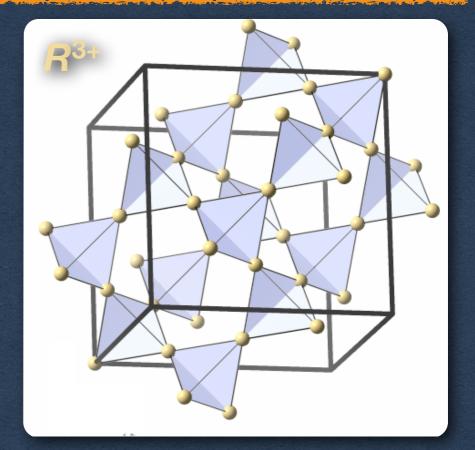


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Real Pyrochlores: playgrounds for frustration

 $R_2Ti_2O_7$ "Rare earth titanates"

Ising XY Heisenberg

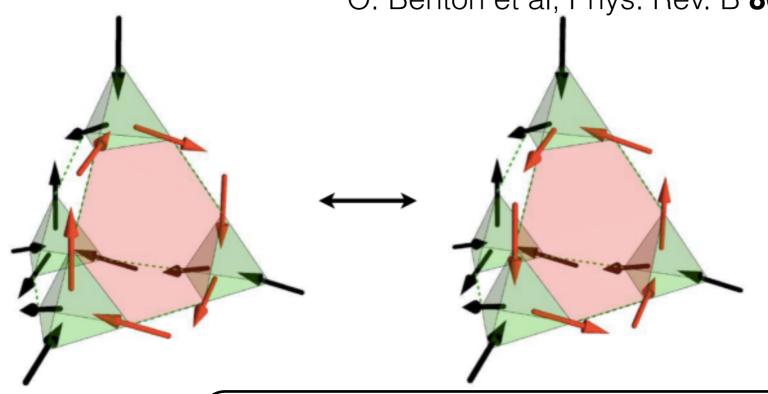


Differences in Anisotropy are very important

	Single Ion Anisotropy	Interactions	Ground state
Ho, Dy	Ising	FM	spin ice
Tb	Ising	AFM	spin liquid/QSI
Gd	Heisenberg	AFM	partial order
Er	XY	AFM	"order by disorder"
Yb	XY	FM	"quantum spin ice"

"Quantum" Spin Ice





$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = \rho_m$$

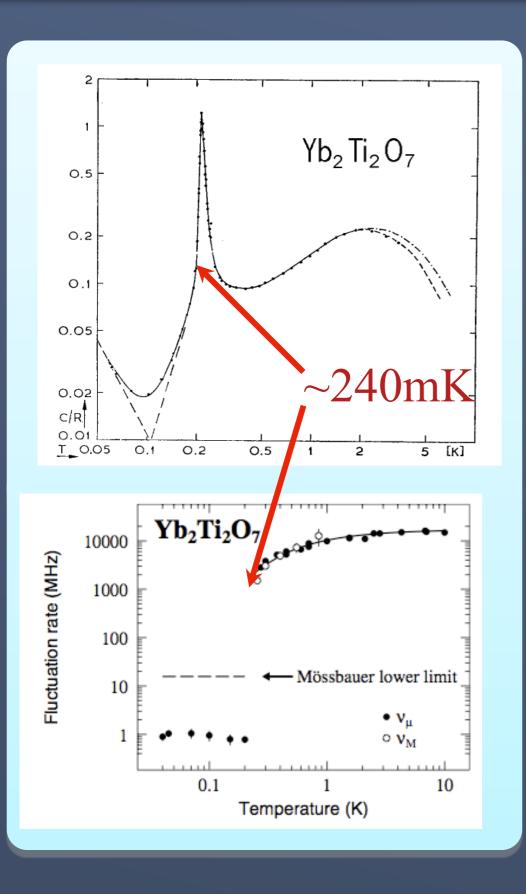
$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$$

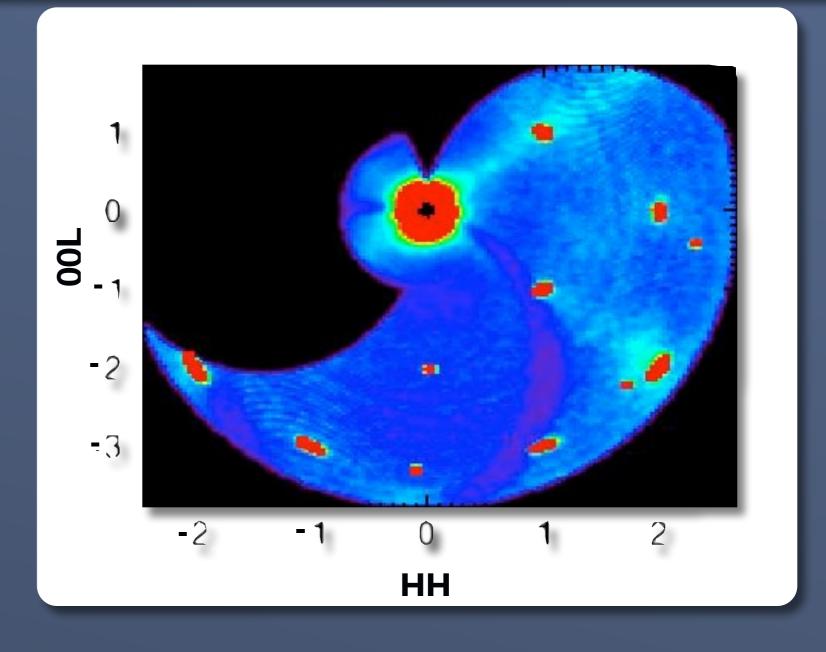
$$\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mathsf{U}(1)} = \frac{\mathcal{U}}{2} \sum_{\langle \mathbf{r} \mathbf{r}' \rangle} \left[\left(\nabla_{\circlearrowleft} \times \mathcal{A} \right)_{\mathbf{r} \mathbf{r}'} \right]^2 + \frac{\mathcal{K}}{2} \sum_{\langle \mathbf{s} \mathbf{s}' \rangle} \mathcal{E}_{\mathbf{s} \mathbf{s}'}^2$$

- Can tunnel between ice rules states
- Introduces fluctuations in the gauge field
 - Electric monopoles coherent, propagating wavepacket of ice configurations
 - Magnetic monopoles violate ice rules, i.e. 3-in 1-out
 - Gauge photons transverse fluctuations of gauge field

Yb2Ti2O7 by the numbers:

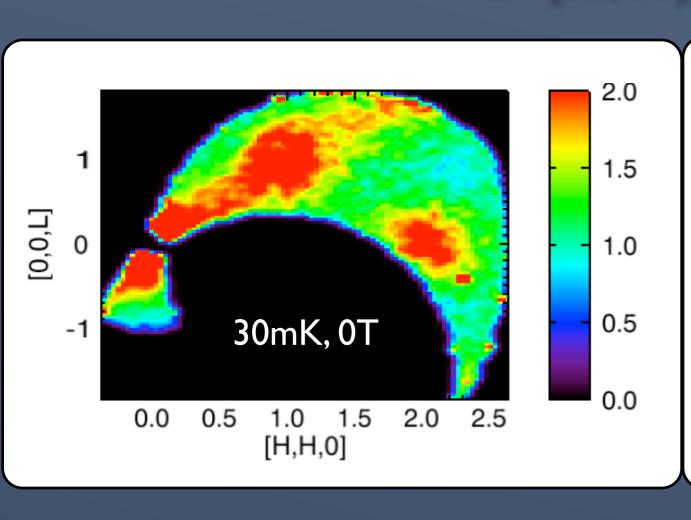


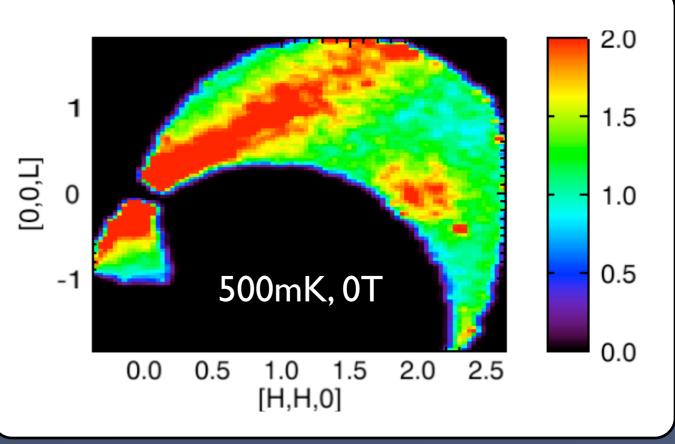


- Ferromagnetic "XY" pyrochlore
- "Tc" ~ 240 mK
- $CW_T \sim +0.6 \text{ K}$ $g_{\perp}/g_{||} \sim 2.4$

Development of 3D Correlations

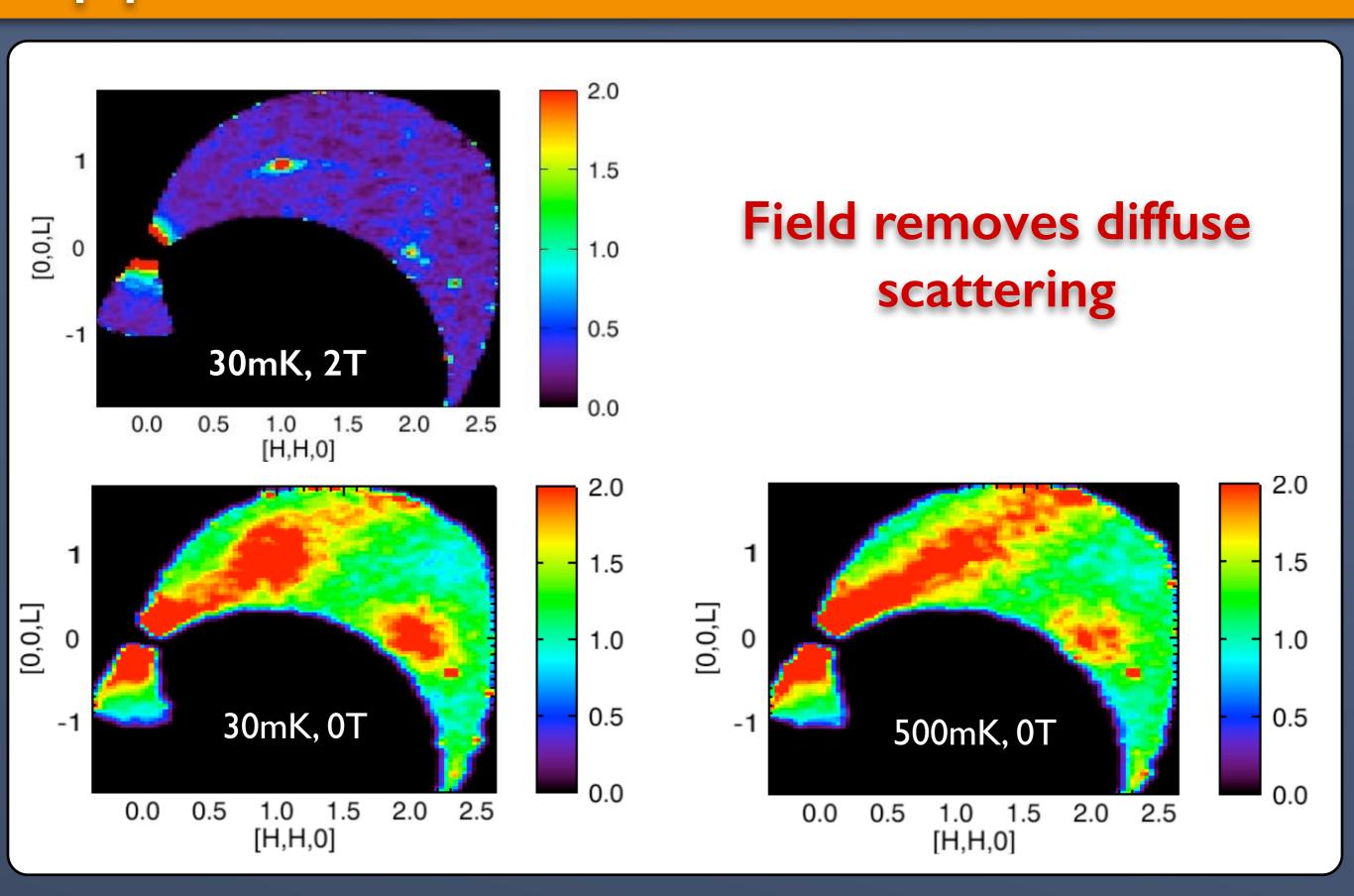
E = [0.1, 0.3] meV (Quasi elastic)





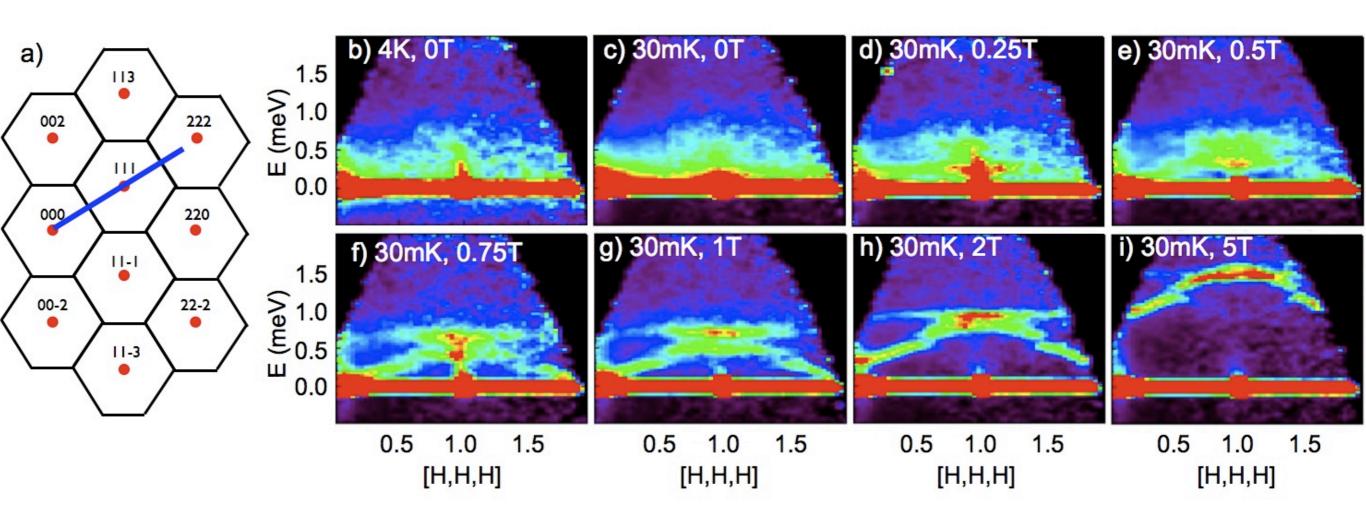


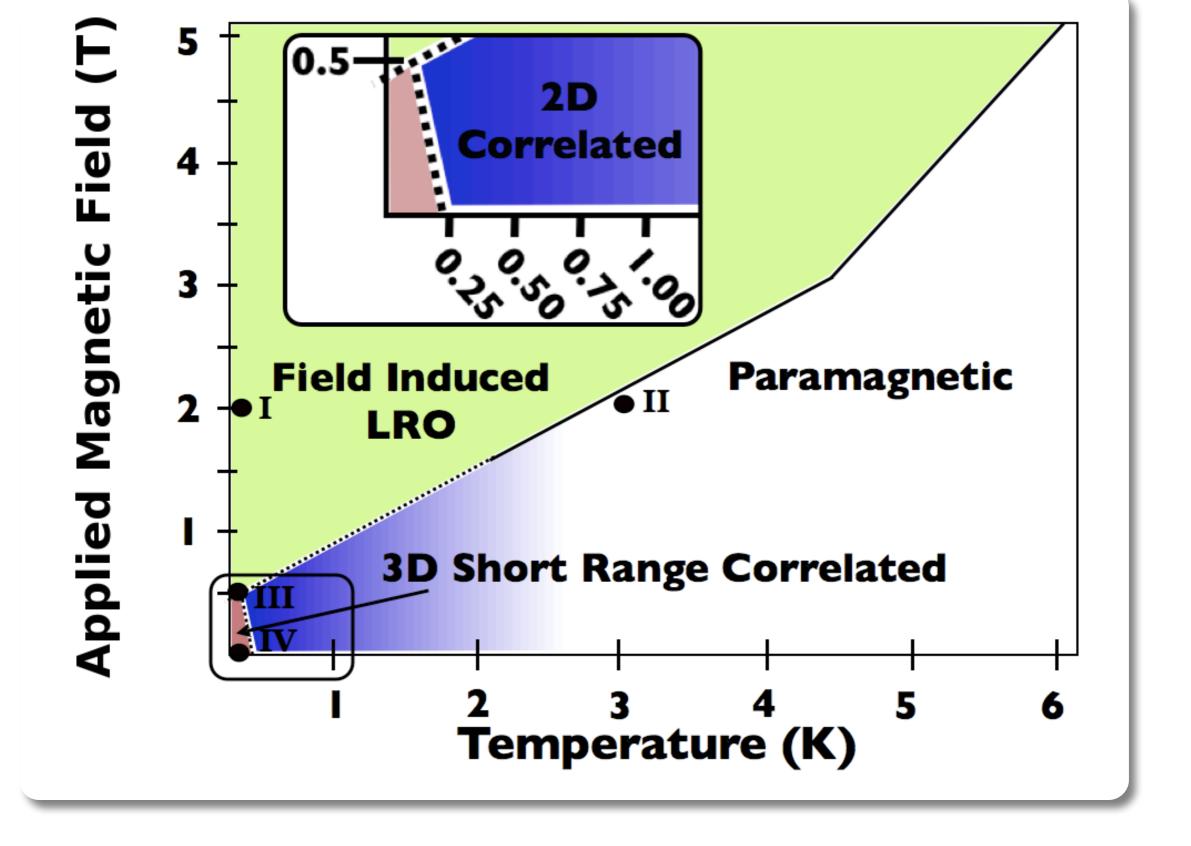
Application of a Field



Weak magnetic field // [110] induces LRO:

appearance of long-lived spin waves at low T and moderate H

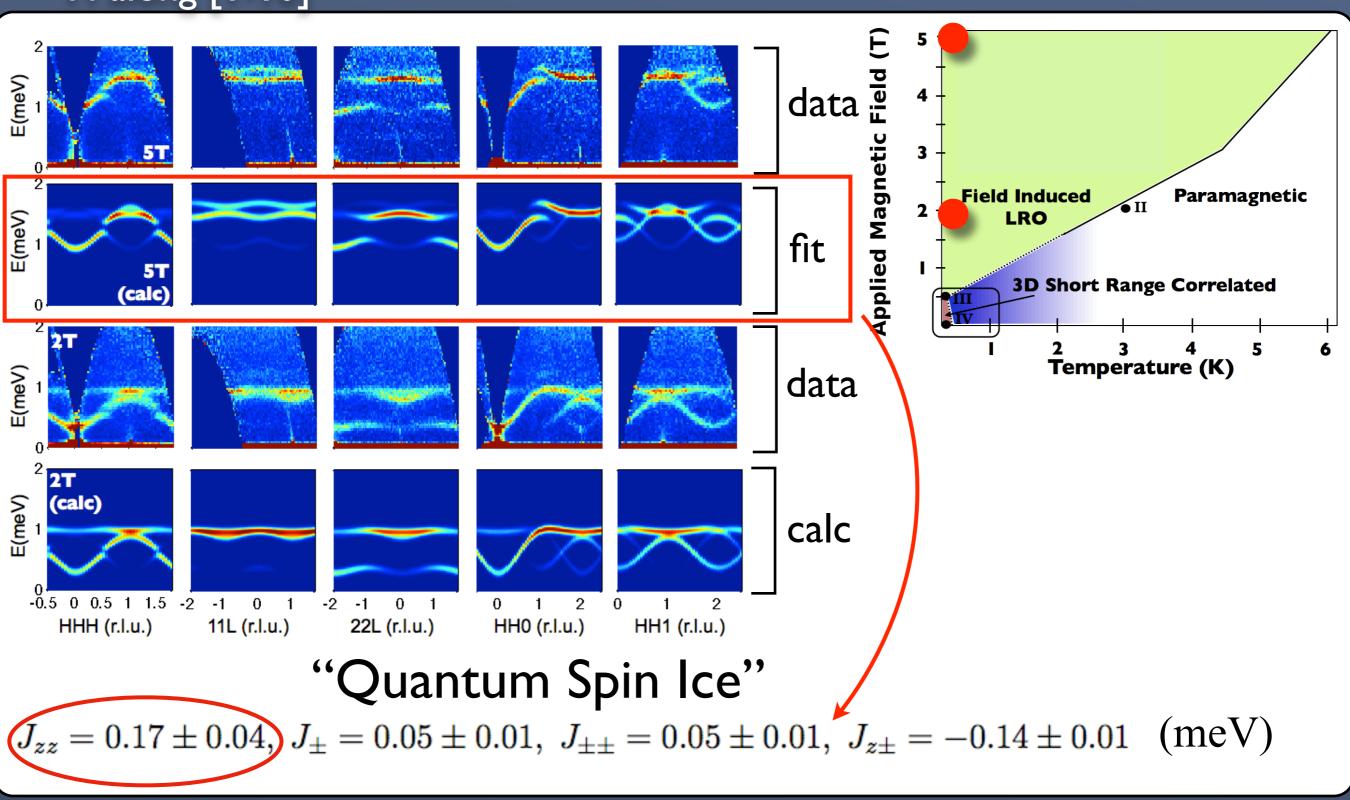


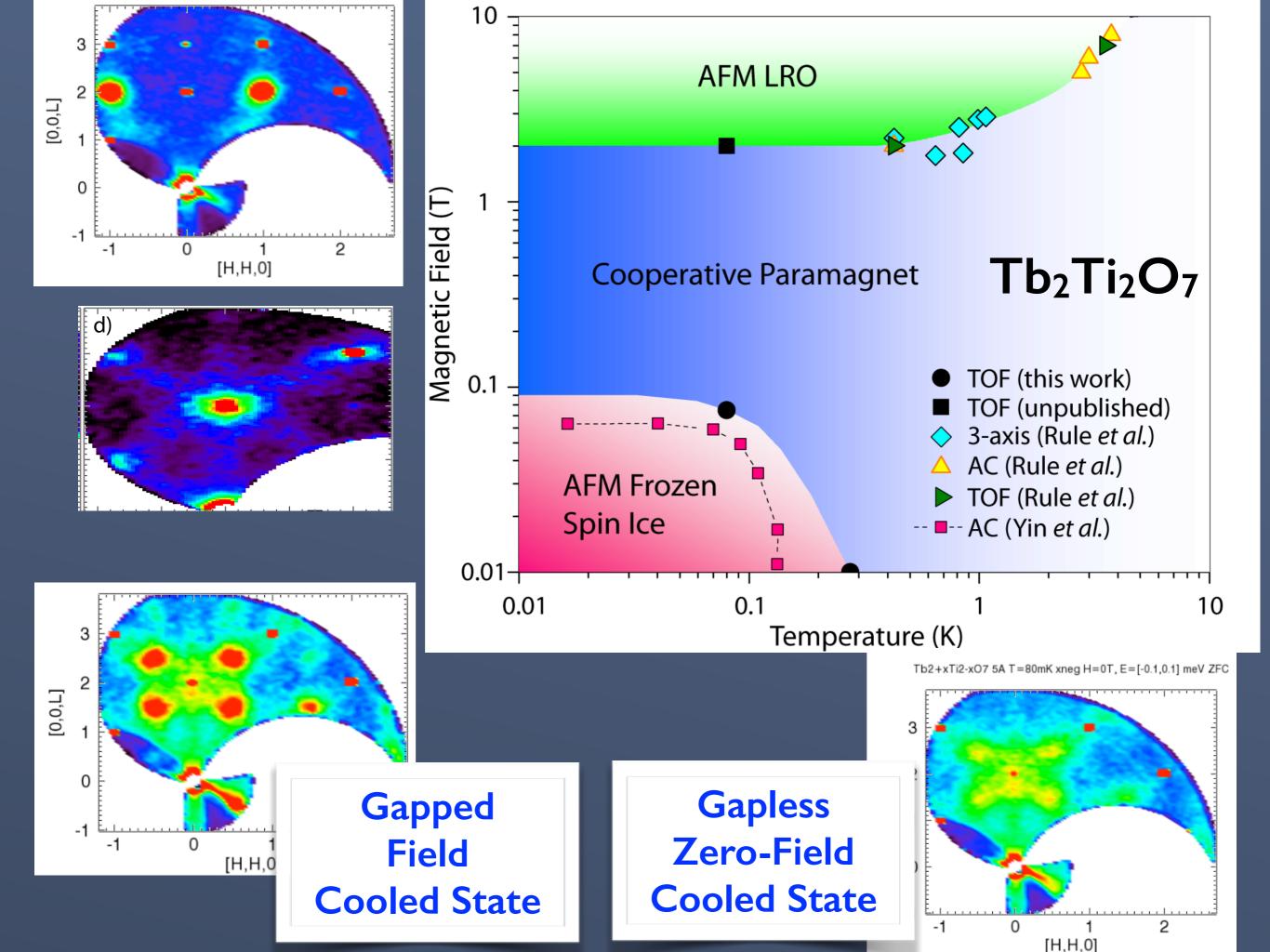


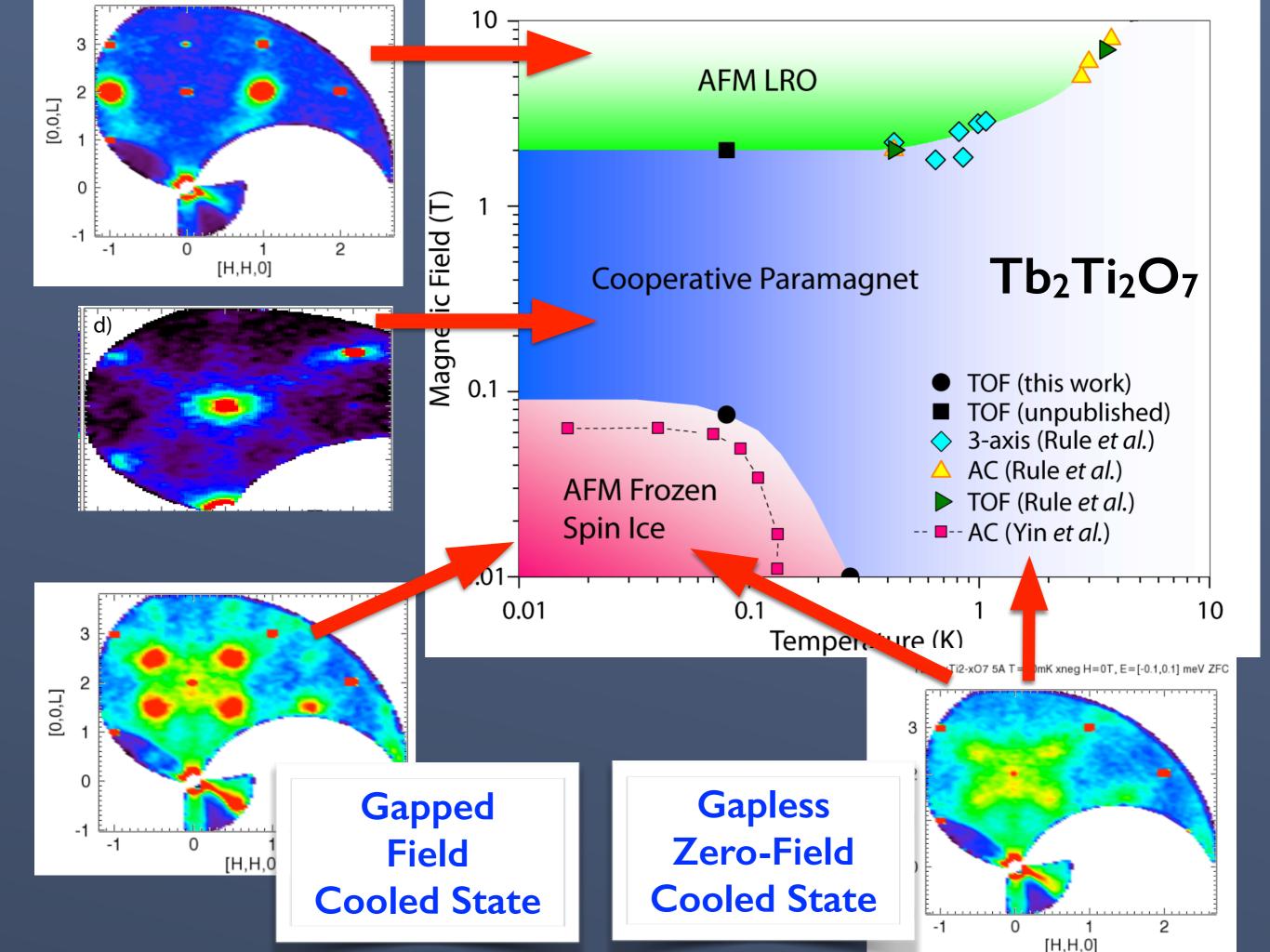
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Yb₂Ti₂O₇ field polarized state

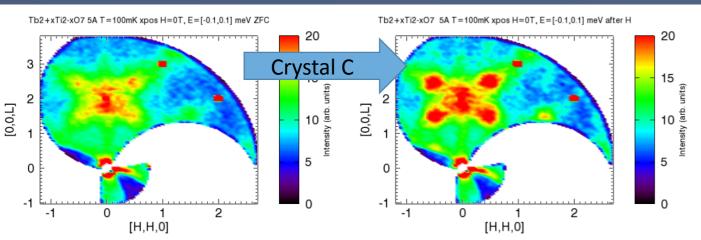
H along [1-10]

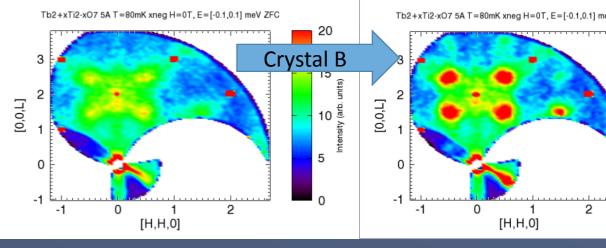






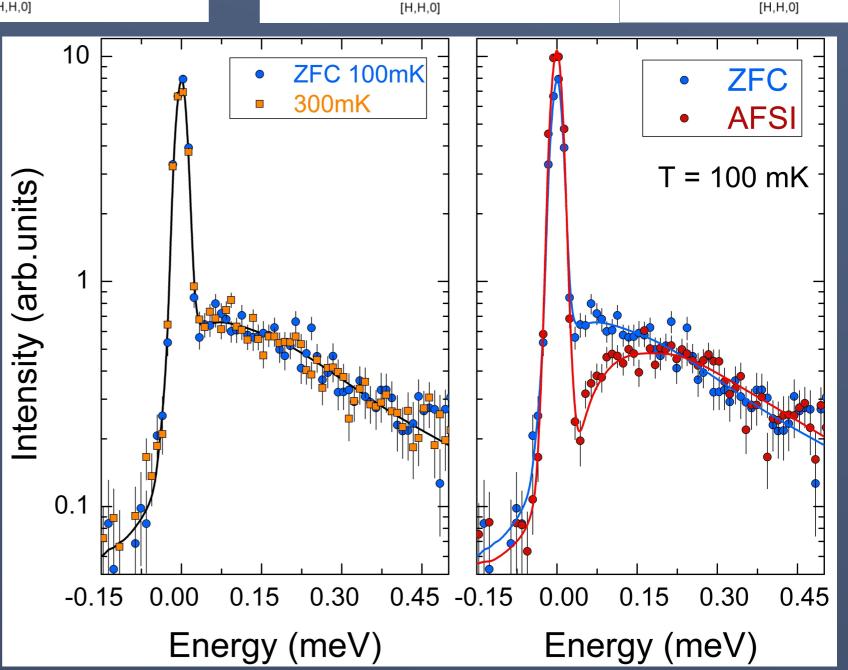
Gapped "ordered AF" spin ice state in Tb₂Ti₂O₇





Magnetic spectral suppression in FC state is robust

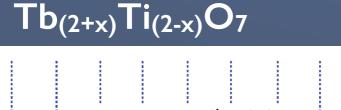
Dynamic specrtal weight transferred to elastic scattering

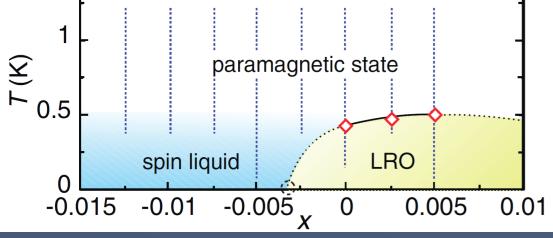


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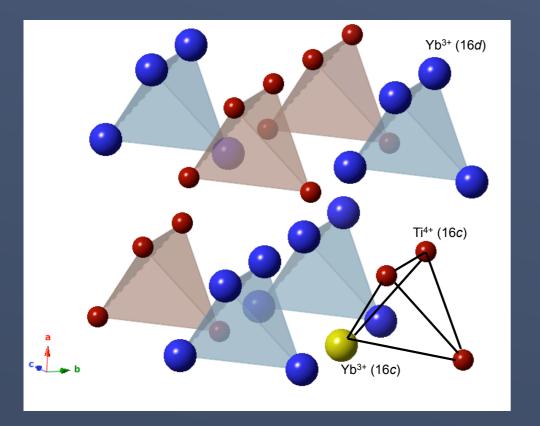


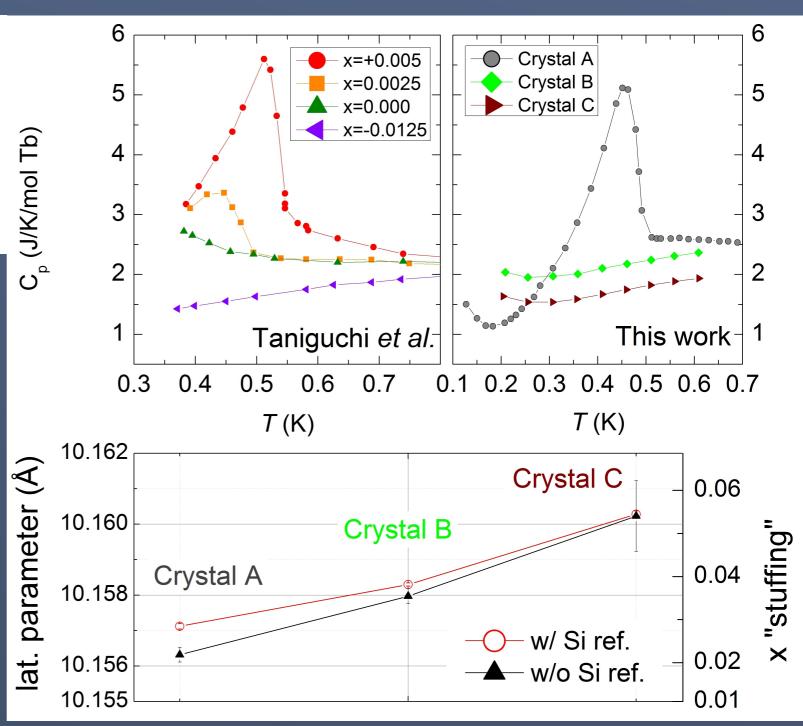
New Single Crystals Grown with varying Tb:Ti i.e. "stuffing" - New samples have no Cp anomaly





Taniguchi et al, Phys. Rev. B, 87, 060408(R), 2013.

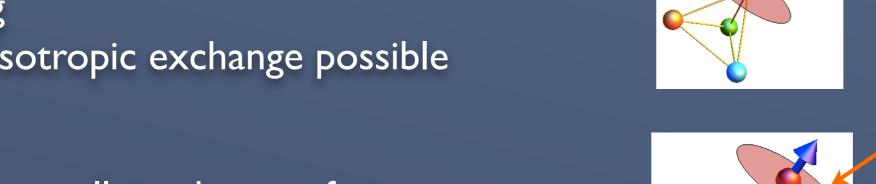




Anisotropic Exchange

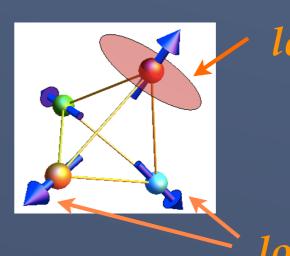
RE ions are heavy - spin orbit coupling is strong

→ anisotropic exchange possible



4 symmetry-allowed terms for exchange tensor

S. Curnoe. Phys. Rev. B 78, 094418 (2008). see also S. Onoda and Y. Tanaka, Phys. Rev. B 83, 094411 (2011).



local XY-plane

$$\begin{split} H &= \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} \left\{ \underbrace{J_{zz}} \mathbf{S}_{i}^{z} \mathbf{S}_{j}^{z} - \underbrace{J_{\pm}} (\mathbf{S}_{i}^{+} \mathbf{S}_{j}^{-} + \mathbf{S}_{i}^{-} \mathbf{S}_{j}^{+}) + \underbrace{J_{++}} \left[\gamma_{ij} \mathbf{S}_{i}^{+} \mathbf{S}_{j}^{+} + \gamma_{ij}^{*} \mathbf{S}_{i}^{-} \mathbf{S}_{j}^{-} \right] \right. \\ &+ \underbrace{J_{z\pm}} \left[\mathbf{S}_{i}^{z} (\zeta_{ij} \mathbf{S}_{j}^{+} + \zeta_{ij}^{*} \mathbf{S}_{j}^{-}) + i \leftrightarrow j \right] \Big\}, \end{split}$$